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Application No.: 10/840,197

REMARKS

The Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has required a restriction in the above-identified application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following groups:

I. Claims 1-9, drawn to a method of determining the distribution of an outcome; and

II. Claims 10-11, drawn to a method for selecting an optimal dose range of a compound.

Applicants elect Group I **without** traverse.

The Examiner further states that an election of species is required for Group I. The Examiner states that applicant should elect one species from Group A and one species from Group B. Applicant elects C_{max} from Group A and clearance from Group B. Claims 1-9 read on the elected species.

Conclusion

Applicants request that the Examiner enter consider the above election and allow the claims to pass to issue. Should the Examiner deem expedient a telephone discussion to further the prosecution of the above application, applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned at his convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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